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SAFETY COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR FMVSS No. 218 Motorcycle Helmets

Model ARAI RX-7 CORSAIR

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SECTION 1 PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

PURPOSE AND TEST PROCEDURES

Purpose:

This testing was conducted as part of the Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No.218, Motorcycle Helmets, Compliance Program. The purpose of the test was to determine if the production helmets supplied by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance satisfy the requirements of TP-218-06, as governed by the contract.

Test Procedure:

The SGS U.S. Testing Company, Instrumentation, Calibration and Test Procedure for Testing of Motorcycle Helmets Under FMVSS 218 (November 2006) as submitted to the "Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and" TP-218-06, NHTSA "Laboratory Test Procedure for FMVSS No. 218 Motorcycle Helmets".

SECTION 2 COMPLIANCE TEST DATA SUMMARY

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HELMET DATA

HELMET BRAND NAME: ARAI HELMET

HELMET MODEL DESIGNATION: RX-7 CORSAIR

HELMET MANUFACTURER: <u>ARAI HELMET, LIMITED</u>

HELMET SIZE: XL 61-62 cm

CORRESPONDING HEADFORM SIZE: <u>DOT- D</u>

HELMET COVERAGE: <u>Complete Facial</u>

HELMET POSITIONING INDEX: 50 mm

SHELL MATERIAL: <u>Fiberglass Reinforced Polystyrene Resin</u>

LINER MATERIAL: <u>Expanded Polystyrene</u>

BUCKLE DESCRIPTION: <u>Double "D" Ring</u>

HELMET	A Ambient	B Low Temperature	C High Temperature	D Water Immersed	E Spare
SHELL COLOR/PATTERN	GREY	GREY	GREY	GREY	
WEIGHT (grams)	1629	1624	1638	1591	
MONTH & YEAR OF MANUFACTURE	3/08	3/08	3/08	3/08	

COMMENTS: NHTSA provided the HPI based on information obtained from the manufacturer.

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SELECTION OF APPROPRIATE HEADFORM

Paragraph S6.1 - If the helmet size designation falls into more than one of three size ranges, it shall be tested on each appropriate headform.

HELMET SIZE DESIGNATION	<u>HEADFORM SIZE</u>
Less than or equal to 6-3/4 (European Size 54)	Small
Greater than 6-3/4, but less than or equal to 7-1/2 (European Size 60)	Medium
Greater than 7-1/2 (European Size 60)	Large

COMMENTS: The manufacturer marked the helmet with its corresponding discrete size.

Headform Size: DOT-D Large, Helmet: ARAI, Model: RX-7 CORSAIR, Size: XL 61-62 cm.

CONDITIONING FOR TESTING - Paragraph S6.4 - The protective headgear shall be conditioned for not less than 12 hours, in the specified environmental condition shown below, prior to test.

Ambient Condition	21°C ± 6°C 40% to 60% Relative Humidity
Low Temperature	-10°C + 8°C, -0°C
High Temperature	50°C + 0°C, -4°C
Water Immersed	25°C ± 6°C

The maximum time during which the protective headgear may be out of the conditioning environment shall not exceed 4 minutes. It must then be returned to the conditioning environment for a minimum of 3 minutes for each minute or portion of a minute in excess of 4 minutes out of the conditioning environment or 12 hours, whichever is less, prior to resumption of testing.

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SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS

INDICATE P-PASS F-FAIL

HELMET:	Α	В	С	D	
TEST	Ambient	Low	High	Water	NOTES
		Temperature	Temperature	Immersed	
IMPACT	Р	Р	Р	Р	
PENETRATION	Р	Р	Р	Р	
RETENTION	Р	Р	Р	Р	
PERIPHERAL VISION	Р	Р	Р	Р	
LABELING	Р	Р	Р	Р	

COMMENTS:

SECTION 3

TEST DATA

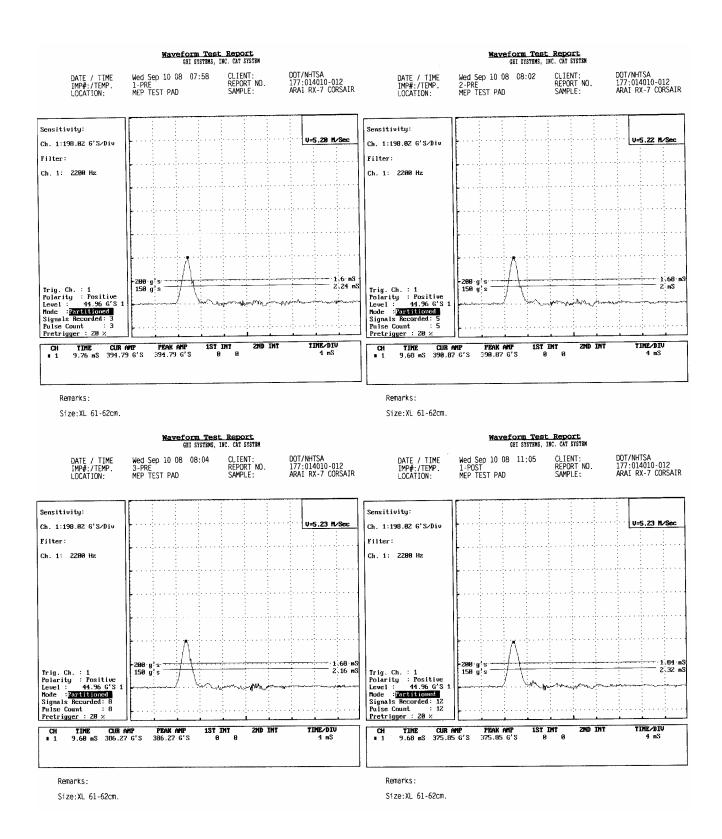
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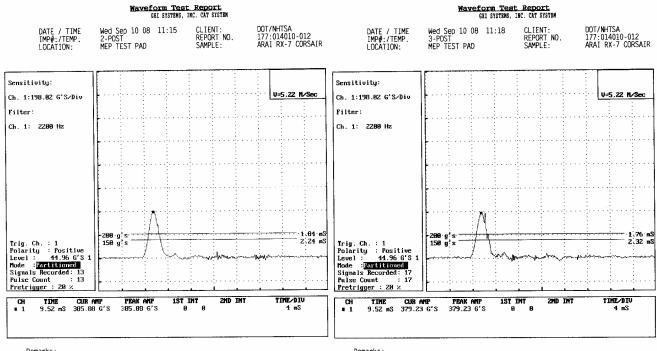
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Ambient Temperature (°C) $21^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 6^{\circ}\text{C}$ 40% to 60% Relative Humidity					
Headform Size Drop Assembly Weight (kg) Large 6.1					
Headform Position Index 50 mm					

SYSTEMS	TRIAL	DROP	VEL.	PEAK	MII	LLISECONDS @
CHECK	DROP	HEIGHT	(m/sec)	"G"	150 G	200 G
	1	138 cm	5.20	395	2.24	1.60
PRE-TEST	2	138 cm	5.22	391	2.00	1.68
	3	138 cm	5.23	386	2.16	1.68
PRE-TEST AVERAGE XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		391	xxxxxxxxxxxx			
	1	138 cm	5.23	376	2.32	1.84
POST-TEST	2	138 cm	5.22	386	2.24	1.84
	3	138 cm	5.22	379	2.32	1.76
POST-TEST AVERAGE XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX			380	XXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PRE-TEST AND POST-TEST AVERAGES			11 G's	PEAK G	DIFFERENCE NOT TO EXCEED 40 G's	

COMMENTS:





Remarks:

Size:XL 61-62cm.

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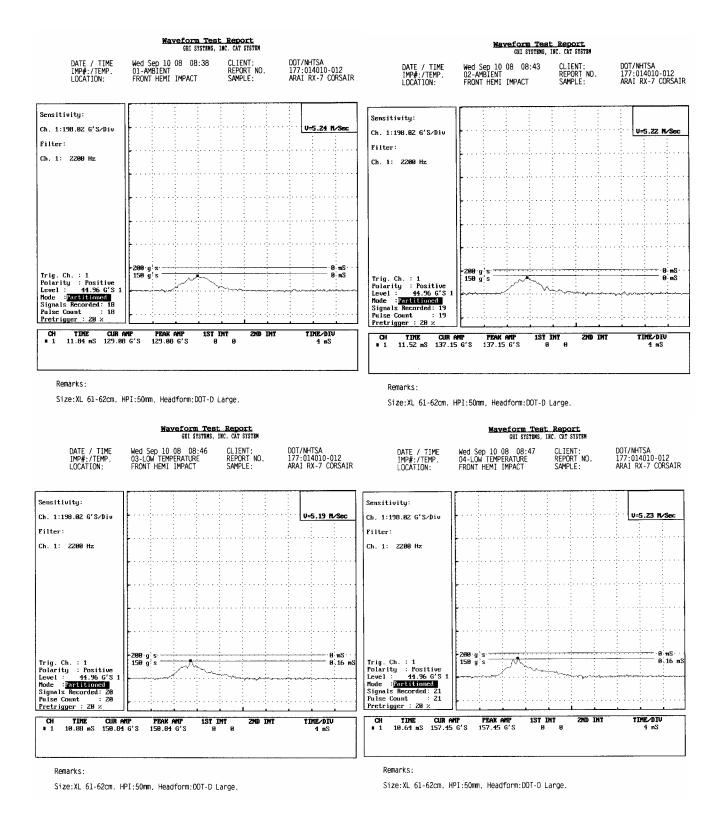
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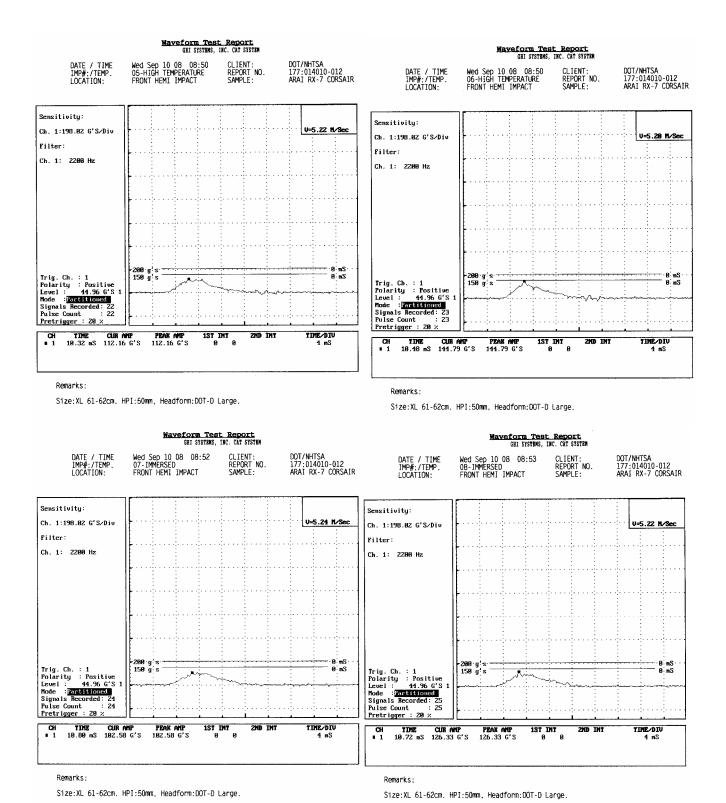
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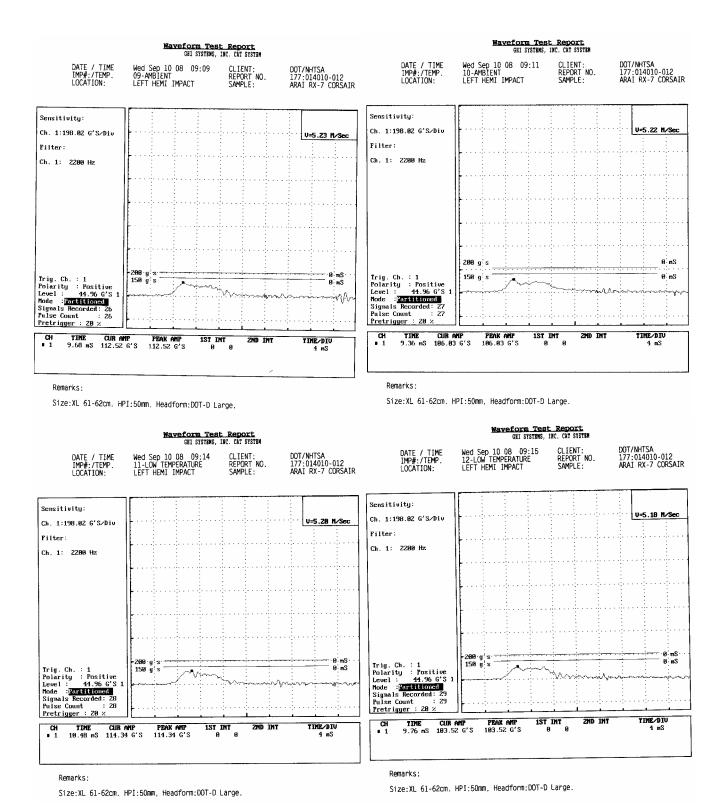
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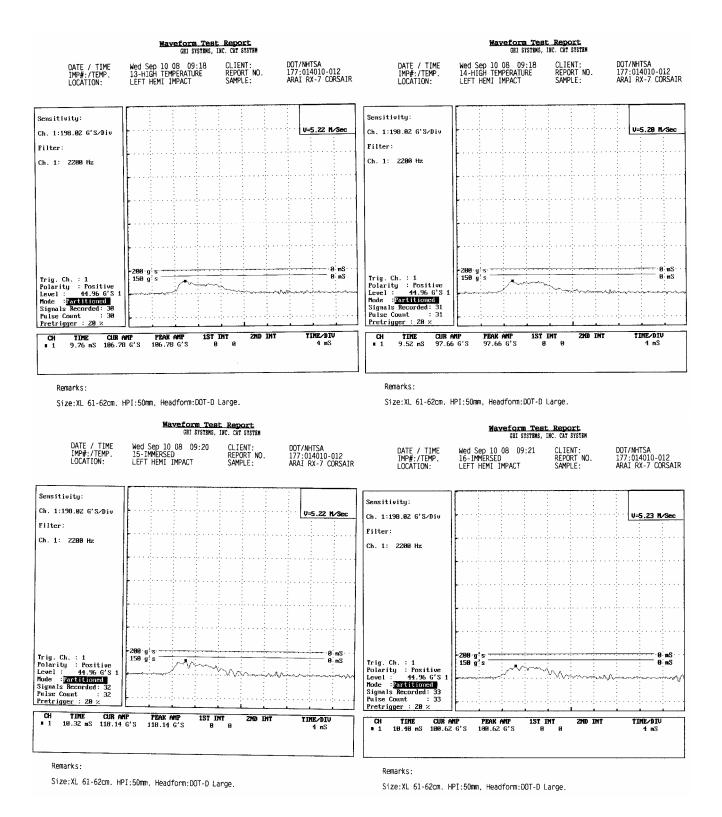
Helmet Condition		IMPACT LOCATION							
	ANVIL	FRONT HEMI		LEFT HEMI		RIGHT FLAT		REAR FLAT	
	Impact No.	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
	Test Record No.	1	2	9	10	17	18	25	26
Ambient	Peak "G"	129	137	113	106	166	180	195	173
	ms @ 150 "G"					0.7	1.4	1.0	1.8
	ms @ 200 "G"								
	Velocity m/sec	5.24	5.22	5.23	5.22	5.98	5.99	5.96	5.98
		•	•		•	•	•		
	Test Record No.	3	4	11	12	19	20	27	28
Low	Peak "G"	151	157	114	104	201	201	167	175
	ms @ 150 "G"	0.2	0.2			1.0	1.4	0.5	2.1
	ms @ 200 "G"								
	Velocity m/sec	5.19	5.23	5.20	5.18	5.95	5.99	5.99	5.95
				40		0.4			
	Test Record No.	5	6	13	14	21	22	29	30
High	Peak "G"	112	145	107	98	180	169	145	165
	ms @ 150 "G"					0.7	1.2		0.7
	ms @ 200 "G"								
	Velocity m/sec	5.22	5.20	5.22	5.20	5.98	6.00	5.95	5.99
	Test Record No.	7	8	15	16	23	24	31	32
Wet	Peak "G"	103	126	118	101	161	180	145	163
AAGI	ms @ 150 "G"					0.8	1.2		0.6
	ms @ 200 "G"								
	Velocity m/sec	5.24	5.22	5.22	5.23	6.00	5.99	5.99	5.99

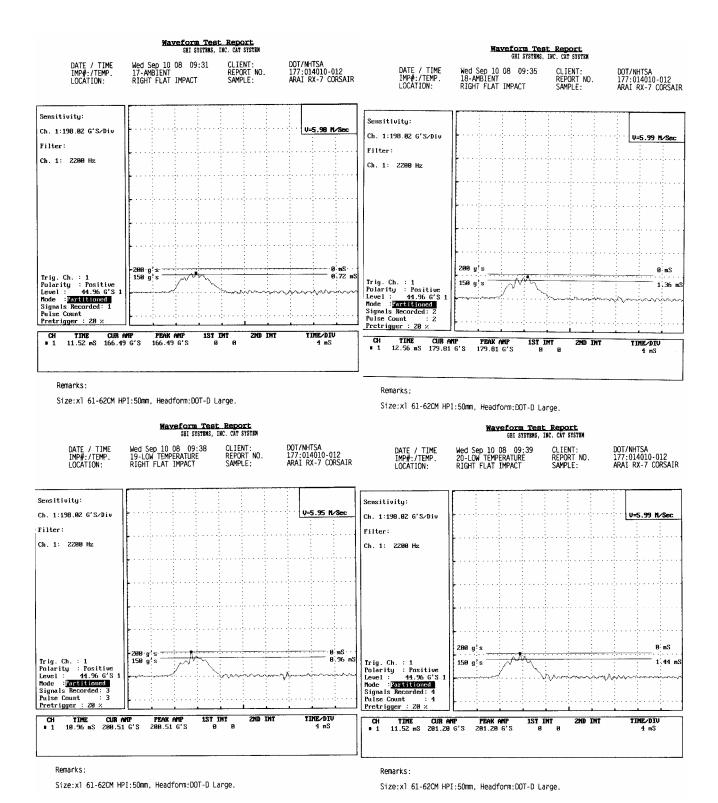
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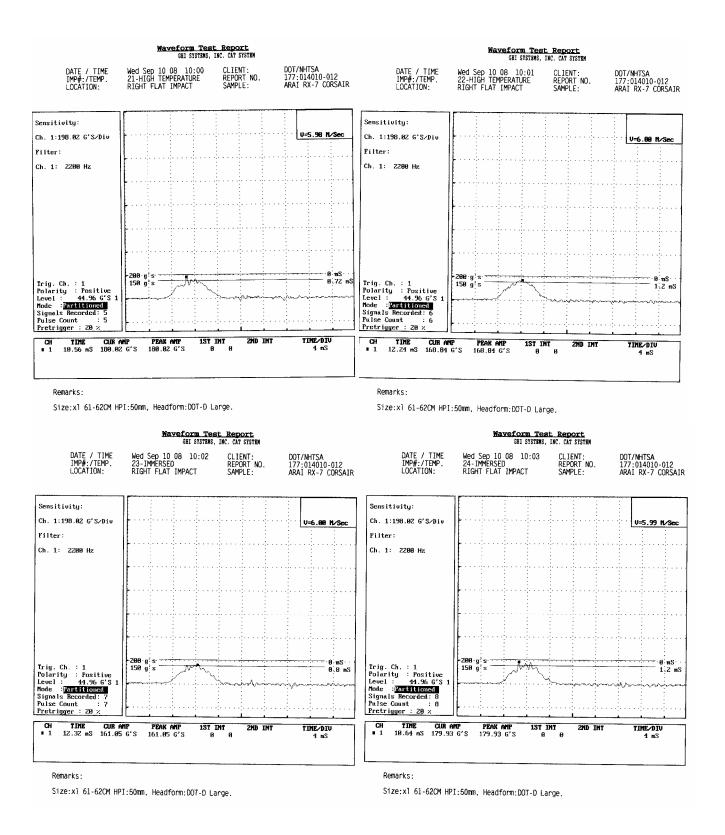


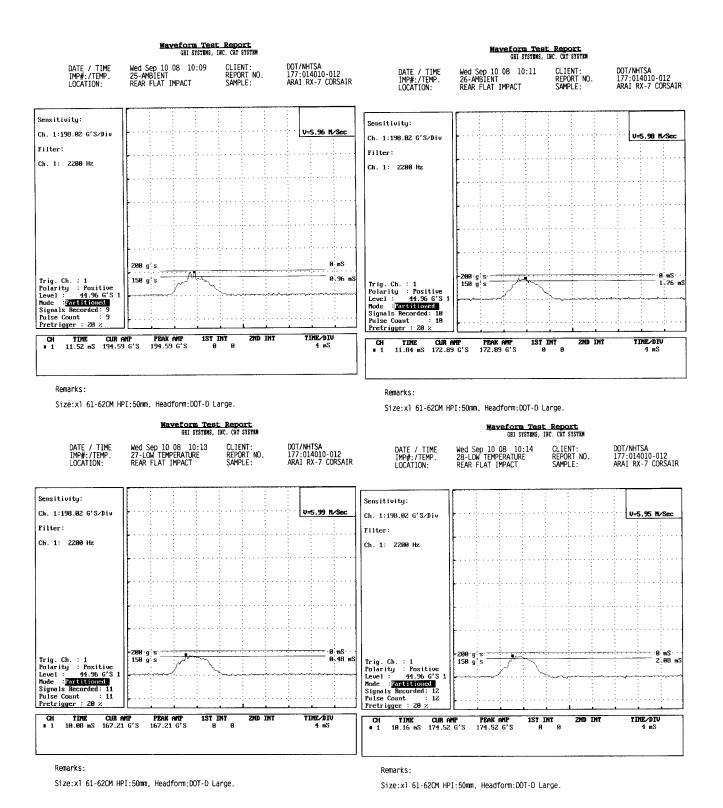


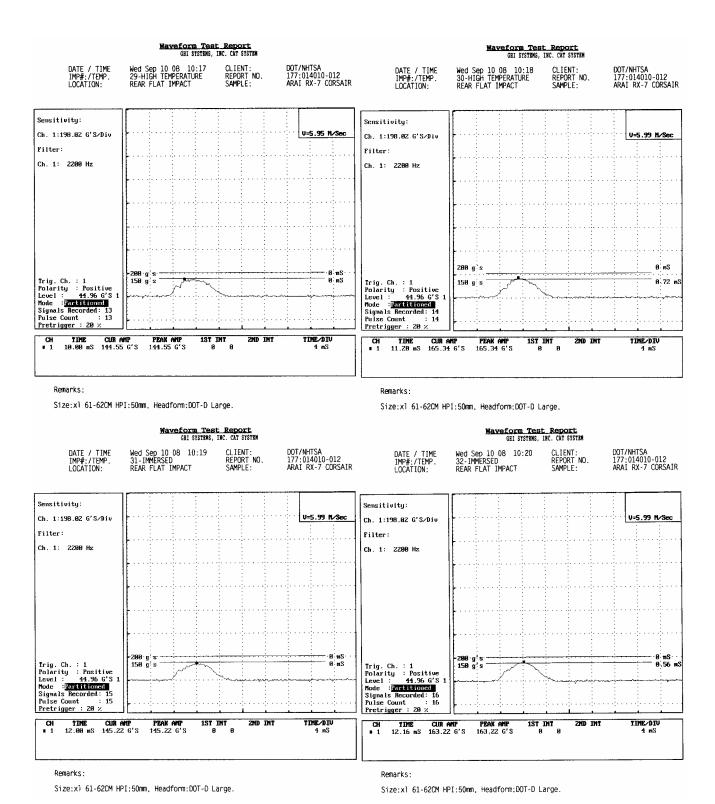












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PENETRATION

Paragraph S5.2 and S7.2

WEIGHT OF STRIKER: 3 Kg

POINT OF STRIKER: Radius = 0.5 mm, included angle of 60° + 1.0°, - 0.0, hardness minimum of 60

Rockwell "C" Scale and a cone height of not less than 3.81 cm

HEIGHT OF FALL: 300 cm, + 0.0 cm, -3.05 cm measured from the tip of the striker point to the

outer surface of the mounted protective headgear.

FAILURE CRITERION: When tested, the striker shall not contact the surface of the test headform.

<u>TEST</u>	HELMET	<u>PASS</u>	<u>FAIL</u>	CONDITIONS
1	Α	Р		Ambient
2	Α	Р		Ambient
3	В	Р		Low Temperature
4	В	Р		Low Temperature
5	С	Р		High Temperature
6	С	Р		High Temperature
7	D	Р		Water Immersed
8	D	Р		Water Immersed

COMMENTS: Striker height set using 297.2 cm rod.

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Paragraph S5.3 and S7.3

AMBIENT TEMPERATURE: 21° C \pm 6°C AMBIENT HUMIDITY: 50 %

REQUIREMENTS:

READING	APPLIED LOAD			
INITIAL	22.7 kg, + 4.5 kg, - 0 kg			
FINAL	136 kg, + 0 kg, - 4.5 kg			

ELONGATION NOT TO EXCEED 25.4 mm AFTER LOAD INCREASE

HELMET	CONDITIONS	Elongation mm
Α	Ambient	14.534
В	Low Temperature	15.066
С	High Temperature	13.895
D	Water Immersed	16.893

COMMENTS:

PERIPHERAL VISION - Paragraph S5.4 - Helmet shall provide a minimum peripheral vision of 105° to each side of the midsagittal plane. The brow opening shall be at least 2.54 cm above all points in the basic plane that are within the angles of peripheral vision.

	REQUIREMENTS	TEST RESULTS
DEGREE EACH SIDE M.S. PLANE	>105°	Pass
BROW OPENING	>2.54 cm	Pass

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 Company:
 DOT/NHTSA
 Name:
 ARAI RX-7 SZ: XL61-62cm

 Lab name:
 STME
 Number of specimens:
 1

 Operator ID:
 E.R.
 Temperature:
 23 C

 Test date:
 9/10/2008
 Humidity:
 50 %

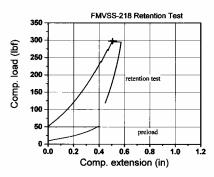
 Condition:
 A-AMBIENT TEMP. 21°C (70°F)
 Crosshead Speed: 1.2 in/min

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Results

	Max Load (kgf)		Extension @ Max Load (mm)	Extension @ Max Load (in)	Pass/Fail	Max. Load (kgf)	Max. Load (lbf)
1	133.80	294.99	14.534	0.57	PASS	135.0	297.5

Curves



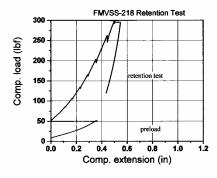
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Company:	DOT/NHTSA	Name: ARAI RX-7	SZ: XL61-620
Lab name:	STME	Number of specimens:	1
Operator ID:	E.R.	Temperature:	23 C
Test date:	9/10/2008	Humidity:	50 %
Condition:	C-HIGH TEMP. 50°C (121°F)	Crosshead Speed: 1.2 is	n/min
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Results

	Max Load (kgf)	Max Load (lbf)	Extension @ Max Load (mm)	Extension @ Max Load (in)	Pass/Fail	Max. Load (kgf)	Max. Load (lbf)
1	133.81	295.00	13.895	0.55	PASS	135.6	298.9

Curves



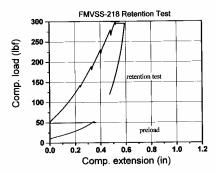
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Company:	DOT/NHTSA	Name:	ARAI RX-7 S	Z: XL61-62cm
Lab name:	STME	Number of	specimens:	1
Operator ID:	E.R.	Temperatu	re:	23 C
Test date:	9/10/2008	Humidity:		50 %
Condition:	B-LOW TEMP10°C (14°F)	Crosshea	d Speed: 1.2 in/	min
JOB#	177:014010-012			

Results

	Max Load (kgf)			Extension @ Max Load (in)	Pass/Fail	Max. Load (kgf)	Max. Load (lbf)
1	133.82	295.02	15.066	0.59	PASS	135.7	299.1

Curves



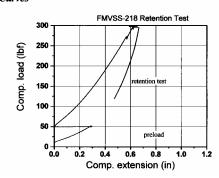
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Lab name:	STME	Number of specimens:	1
Operator ID:	E.R.	Temperature:	23 C
Test date:	9/10/2008	Humidity:	50 %
Condition:	D-WATER TEMP. 25°C (77°F)	Crosshead Speed: 1.2 in	/min
JOB#	177:014010-012		

Results

		Max Load (kgf)	Max Load (lbf)	Extension @ Max Load (mm)	Extension @ Max Load (in)	Pass/Fail	Max. Load (kgf)	Max. Load (lbf)
ı	1	133.82	295.02	16.893	0.67	PASS	135.0	297.6

Curves



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Paragraph S5.6

S5.6 Labeling – Each helmet shall be permanently and legibly labeled, in a manner such that the label(s) can be easily read without removing padding or any other permanent part, with the following:

Required Information	Pass	Fail
Manufacturer's name or identification	X	
Precise model designation	X	
Size	Х	
Month and year of manufacture	X	
The symbol DOT on the outer surface, in a color that contrasts with the background, in letters at least 1 cm high, centered laterally with the horizontal centerline of the symbol located a minimum of 2.9 cm and a maximum of 3.5 cm from the bottom edge of the posterior portion of the helmet	Х	
Instructions to the purchaser as follows:		
"Shell and liner constructed of (identify type(s) of materials)."	X	
"Helmet can be seriously damaged by some common substances without damage being visible to the user."	X	
"Apply only the following: (Recommended cleaning agents, paints, adhesives, etc., as appropriate."	X	
"Make no modifications."	X	
"Fasten helmet securely."	X	
"If helmet experiences a severe blow, return it to the manufacturer for inspection, or destroy it and replace it."	Х	

COMMENTS:

APPENDIX A INTERPRETATIONS OR DEVIATIONS FROM FMVSS NO. 218 FROM FMVSS NO. 218

INTERPRETATIONS OR DEVIATIONS FROM FMVSS NO. 218 NONE

APPENDIX B

TEST EQUIPMENT LIST AND CALIBRATION INFORMATION

TEST EQUIPMENT

	<u>ltem</u>	<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>S/N</u>	Cal. Period	Date of Last Cal.	<u>Accuracy</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1	Marker Stand	L.S. Starrett			N/A	N/A	N/A	Purchased 1995
2	Reference Headform	Bell			N/A	N/A	N/A	Purchased 1995
3	4.5kg (10 lb) Weight				Verified	9/08	± .05 kg ± 0.1 lb	Purchased 1995
4	Steel Ruler	L.S. Starrett					mm	Purchased 2005
5	Tespac	U.S. Testing Co.	800	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Monorail Assembly Purchased 1980 Refurbished 2002
7	Impact Head Forms (Small, Medium & Large)	U.S. Testing Co.	A, C, D					Purchased 1998
8	Velocity Sensor	G.H.I.	VSD1	011101	1 Yr.	9/07	N/A	Purchased 2001
9.	MEP Pad	U.S. Testing Co.	1 in. Blue		N/A	N/A	N/A	Purchased 1999

TEST EQUIPMENT

	<u>ltem</u>	<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>S/N</u>	<u>Cal.</u> <u>Period</u>	Date of <u>Last Cal.</u>	<u>Accuracy</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
10.	Camera	Kodak	DX-4900	KCKAV2 3203	N/A	N/A	N/A	Purchased 2003
11.	Computer	G.H.I. CAT Sys	Helmet-4	C-4116 	1 Yr.	9/07	±2%	Purchased 2001
12.	Printer	HP Deskjet	840CD		N/A	N/A	N/A	Purchased 2001
13.	Hemi Anvil	U.S. Testing Co.						Purchased 1999
14.	Flat Anvil	U.S. Testing Co.						Purchased 1999
15.	Accelerometer	Kistler	8604B5000	C29636	1 Yr.	06/08	±1%	Purchased 1998
16.	Penetration Head Forms (Small, Medium & Large)	U.S. Testing Co.					N/A	Purchased 2006
17.	Penetration Striker	U.S. Testing Co.	218		Verified	8/08	N/A	6 lb, 10 oz. Wt. 60° included angle, cone ht. 1.5" 60RC Purchased 1995
18.	Universal Tester	Instron	5585	SI-16242	1 Yr.	6/08	±1/4%	Purchased 2003

TEST EQUIPMENT

	<u>ltem</u>	<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>S/N</u>	<u>Cal.</u> <u>Period</u>	Date of <u>Last Cal.</u>	<u>Accuracy</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
19.	Retention Head Forms (Small, Medium & Large)							Purchased 2006
20.	Retention Test Frame	Instron		SI-16353	N/A			Purchased 2004
21.	Linear Transducer	Omega	LD 300-25	M922068 A402-04	1 Yr.	6/08	±1/4%	Purchased 2004
22.	Protractor Stand	U.S. Testing Co.						Purchased 1990
23.	Oven	Despatch	LDB1-69	120943	N/A	6/08		Purchased 1990
24.	Freezer	VWR	A450720-A	TW- 50018H	N/A	6/08		Purchased 1995
25.	Temperature Recorder	Partlow	MRC7000	N/A	1 Yr.	6/08	±1%	Purchased 1995

APPENDIX C PHOTOGRAPHS















Fig. 1 – Impact Attenuation (Paragraph S5.1)



Fig. 3 – Retention System (Paragraph S5.3)



Fig. 2 – Penetration (Paragraph S5.2)



Fig. 4 – Peripheral (Paragraph S5.4)